

In the Claims

Please add the following claims. No new matter is added by this amendment:

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43. (New) The method of claim 20, wherein a dynamic variable is from a group consisting of: a remaining rental duration and a remaining playing time.

44. (New) The method of claim 43, wherein a dynamic variable is depicted graphically on a display device.

REMARKS

Applicants submit the above Preliminary Amendment, and respectfully ask that it be entered and considered prior to examination.

Upon entry of this Preliminary Amendment, Applicants have amended the specification; however, it is believed that no new matter has been added since the amendments address conflicting numerical designations and other clerical errors.

In the drawings, Applicants have amended the drawings; however, it is believed that no new material has been added since the drawings are amended in order to be consistent with the written portion of the specification.

In the claims, Applicants have added claims 43 and 44.